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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/843,748	04/30/2001	Thierry H. Benjamin	P640 DIV	2369

TITLE OF INVENTION: SOFT TIP GUIDING CATHETER AND METHOD OF FABRICATION

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Re: U.S. Allowed Utility Patent Application
Appl. No. 09/843,748; Filed: April 30, 2001
For: **Soft Tip Guiding Catheter and Method of Fabrication**
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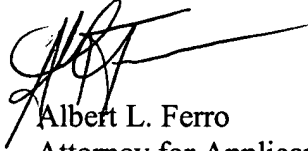
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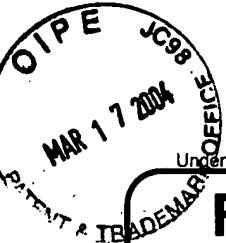
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